

2004 CRLC CODE OF CONDUCT – NOVEMBER 19-21, 2004

Name _____ Chapter _____ State _____

Attendance at any DECA sponsored conference or activity is a privilege. The following conduct policies will apply to all delegates: students, adults, and any other authorized persons attending the conference. This form must be signed by each student, and the student's parent or guardian, attending a DECA conference or activity (including, but not limited to, conferences, meetings, workshops, etc.) and brought to the conference by the chapter advisor.

Delegates shall abide by the rules and practices of DECA at all times, to and from the designated point of origin of the activity. Delegates shall respect and abide by the authority vested in DECA. Determination of penalties for violations will be at the discretion of your state association of DECA. Additional penalties may be imposed by the local school district.

The following shall be regarded as major violations of the DECA Code of Conduct and will result in being sent home and not being allowed to participate in any DECA activities unless special permission is given from the local school district after the first day of classes the next school year:

1. Alcohol, drugs, and tobacco: A student shall not possess, use, transmit, be under the influence of, or show evidence of having used an alcoholic beverage, other drugs, substances or tobacco products capable of or intended, purported, or presumed to be capable of altering a student's mood, perception, behavior or judgment; other than properly used, over-the-counter pain relievers and medication prescribed by a physician for an individual student and must be on record with the advisor. Nor shall the student possess, use, sell or transmit paraphernalia associated with drugs, alcohol or chemical substances in any form (including tobacco), at any time, or under any circumstances, on public or private properties. All local and state laws concerning personal behavior will be honored.
2. Willful companionship: Being in the willful companionship of someone who violates any portion of the Code of Conduct, or failing to report any direct knowledge (other than hearsay) of the Code of Conduct violations.
3. Personal conduct: Conducting acts and/or possession of weapons capable of causing bodily harm or fear of life, defacing or stealing any public or private property (for which financial responsibility will rest solely with offending individuals or their chapter); other serious violations of personal conduct regulations.
4. Private transportation: No driving or riding in a private automobile during a conference, unless accompanied by an authorized advisor (delegates are to be housed at the conference site). Occasionally a chapter advisor, under special circumstances, may allow a student to drive or ride in a private automobile to a conference. Once a driving/riding delegate has arrived at the conference site, s/he shall not be in a private automobile again until leaving the site at the end of the conference.
5. Abusive behavior and lewd conduct: A student shall not engage in any lewd, indecent, sexual or obscene act or expression. A student shall not engage in verbal, physical or sexual harassment, hazing, or name-calling. The use of slurs against any person on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, age, gender, sexual orientation, or disability is prohibited.
6. Violations of the student's school district code of conduct.

Should a code of conduct violation occur for the following items, regardless of when exposed, the violating student(s) may be sent home and may not be allowed to participate in any DECA activities unless special permission is given from the local school district after the first day of classes the next school year. Determination of penalties for violations will be at the discretion of your state association of DECA, chapter DECA advisor or local school district.

7. Conference Conduct: Failing to wear the supplied conference ID badge and wristband (when provided) at all times from arrival at the conference until departure at the end of the conference; leaving sessions prior to their conclusion (except in the case of emergency); failing to attend all general sessions and assigned activities (including workshops, competitive events, committee meetings, etc.) for which a delegate is registered (unless engaged in a specific assignment taking place at the same time).
8. Curfew: Failing to be in your assigned sleeping room from the curfew time designated until 6 a.m.; causing any noise or other disturbance audible by anyone in the hallway after designated curfew time; ordering or receiving any food after the designated curfew time; causing any other unnecessary disturbance or participating in any other inappropriate activity after the designated curfew time.
9. Dress: Failing to abide by the dress regulations established for the conference, as outlined in the Dress Code.
10. Personal Conduct: Failing to keep adult advisors informed of activities and whereabouts at all times; participating in unapproved social activities; having a member of the opposite sex in a room if no adult chaperone is present or for behavior unbecoming of a delegate.
11. Hotel Conduct: Failing to meet the professional standards of housing facilities; accruing incidental room charges (i.e., phone calls, room service, pay-per-view movies, etc.) without settling the account prior to check-out; throwing objects out the window or into the hallway; moving hotel furniture from rooms (e.g., onto the balcony); failing to follow hotel rules and regulations; inappropriate noise or verbal abuse; and not demonstrating respect for other hotel guests not participating with the DECA conference.
12. Hand carried stereos are not permitted at DECA conferences.
13. Unregistered individuals are not permitted at DECA conferences.
14. Cell phones and pagers are not permitted at meetings or conference activities, sessions, or competitions. Students may use them during free-time.
15. The chapter advisor shall be responsible for their chapter delegates' conduct. Delegates that do not follow the Code of Conduct may subject their entire delegation to be sent home at the individual's and/or chapter's expense.
16. Advisors are responsible for room check. No group or chapter activities are to be scheduled by advisors after curfew.
17. Delegates shall allow Michigan DECA and the Central Region Leadership Conference to use conference photographs and video footage for promotional purposes.

Medical Treatment Authorization

As parent/guardian, I have reviewed the Delegate Code of Conduct with our son/daughter, and he/she agrees to abide by the rules. The Chapter Advisors, State Advisor and/or Central Region DECA has the right to send the delegate home from the activity, at my expense, provided that he/she has violated the Delegate Code of Conduct and I have been notified of the violation and transportation arrangements.

The delegate has my permission to attend the Central Region Leadership Conference. I understand the delegate will be supervised by the DECA chapter advisor. I, the parent/guardian, will not hold the school, the advisor, the Board of Education, our State Association, Central Region DECA nor the conference staff responsible for any injuries while attending or while en-route to and from the DECA sponsored activity.

In the event of accident or illness requiring emergency medical treatment, occurring while in attendance at this DECA activity, the undersigned parent/guardian hereby authorizes the DECA chapter advisor to procure suitable medical treatment for the below signed delegate, and I will provide for the payment of those costs on behalf of the named delegate. I also expect the DECA chapter advisor to contact me by telephone, as soon as possible, if medical services are necessary.

Central Region Leadership Conference, November 19-21, 2004, Detroit, Michigan

Name of School

Name of Delegate

Date of Birth

Address

City

State

Zip

Daytime Phone

Evening Phone

Emergency Contact:

Phone

Please list any medications or physical limitations _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

Delegate's Signature

Date

Advisor's Signature

Date

Principal's Signature

Date

Insurance Company

Policy Number

The Central Region Leadership Conference will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, age, gender, marital status, weight, sexual orientation, or disability. Any student requiring an accommodation as a result of a disability should contact the chapter advisor to arrange such accommodation.

The DECA Chapter Advisor must bring this signed form for each delegate to each conference. It is recommended that this form be notarized for out-of-state travel